

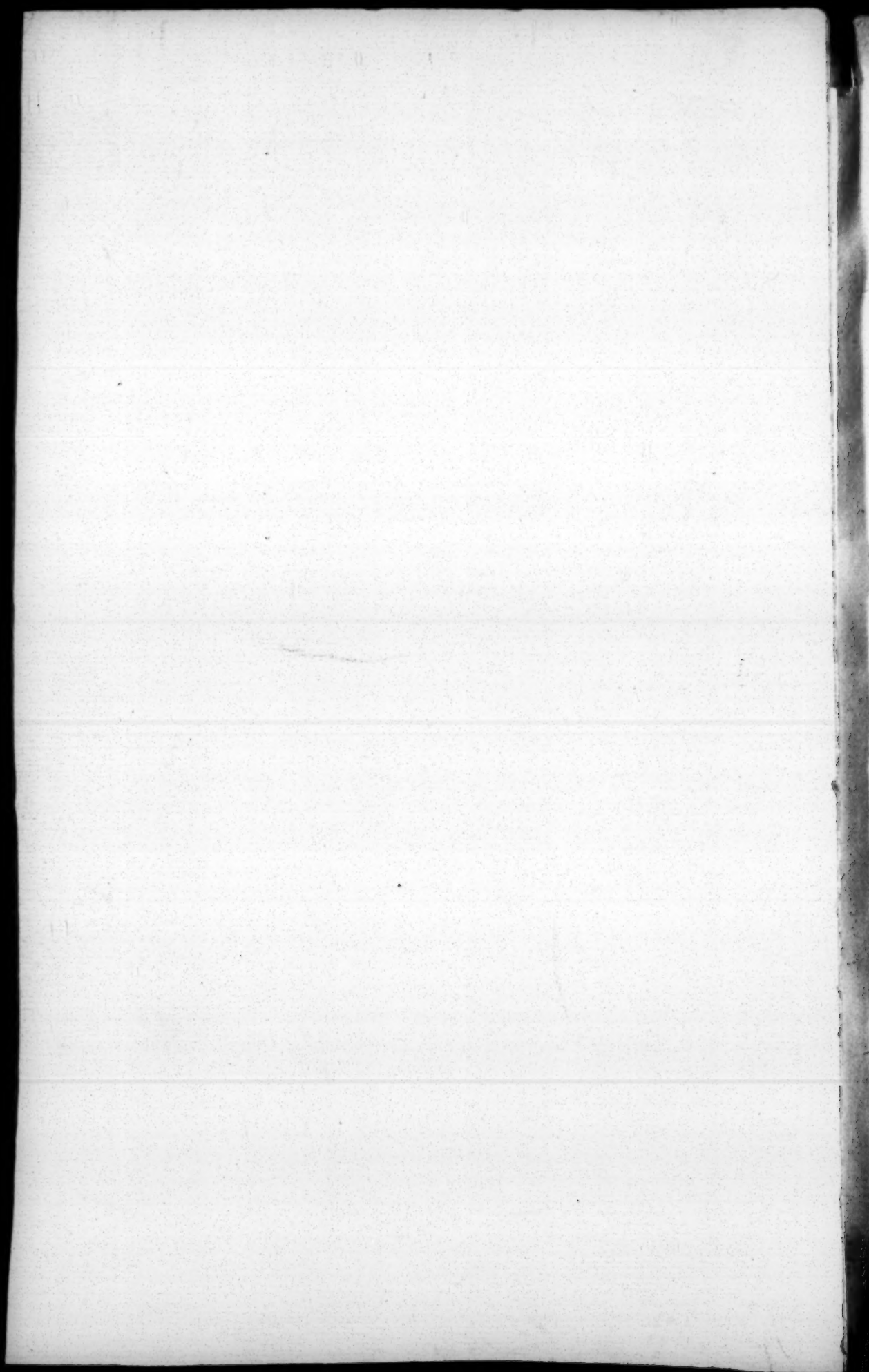
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*To Serve as an Exchange in the City of Edinburgh*

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CONTRACT  
OF  
AGREEMENT,

FOR BUILDING AN

*EXCHANGE,*

In the City of *EDINBURGH,*

BETWEEN

The MAGISTRATES and TOWN-COUNCIL,

AND

The TRADESMEN.

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THE  
CONTRACT  
OF  
AGREEMENT.

**T**his Agreement for erecting an EX-  
CHANGE in the City of *Edin-*  
*burgh*, made between the Right  
Honourable *William Alexander*, Esq; Lord Parties  
Provost, *David Inglis*, *John Carmichael*, *An-* Contracters.  
*drew Simpson*, *John Walker*, Bailies, *David*  
*Flint* Dean of Guild, *Adam Fairholm* Trea-  
surer of the said City, together with the re-  
manent Council, and Deacons of crafts, ordi-  
nary and extraordinary of the same, for them-  
selves, and their successors in office, and as  
representing the whole body and community  
of the said city, OF THE ONE PART, AND  
*Patrick Jamieson* Mason, *Alexander Peter*,  
*George Stevenson*, *John Moubay*, Wrights,  
*John Fergus* Architect, all Burgeses, Free-  
men, Members of *Mary's Chapel* of *Edin-*  
A *burgh*,

*burgh*, Undertakers for building the said Exchange, OF THE OTHER PART, Beareth, That where, in and by an act of parliament made in the twenty sixth year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled, " An act for erecting several public buildings in " the city of *Edinburgh* ; " reciting the use and occasion for erecting certain public buildings in the city of *Edinburgh* therein mentioned, as well for the convenience as ornament of the said city, particularly an Exchange for the Merchants and men of business to resort to ; IT IS, AMONG OTHER THINGS, ENACTED, " That the persons " therein particularly named, and their successors, should be, and they are thereby " constituted and appointed, Commissioners " for designing, ordering, and causing to be " erected, or otherways provided, in convenient places, within the said city, such " buildings as they shall judge proper for the " uses and purposes therein recited : PARTICULARLY to the intent that an Exchange " may be erected near the center of the city, " IT IS ENACTED, that the saids commissioners, or any seven or more of them, shall " have full power and authority, to agree " with

Recital of the  
act of parliament  
about  
public buildings.

Particularly of  
an Exchange.



“ with the owners and occupiers of such  
 “ houses and grounds as lie on the north-  
 “ side of the high street; bounded by  
 “ the entry to the tenement of land com-  
 “ monly called the *Writers-Court* on the west;  
 “ the stone-land immediately below Allan’s  
 “ close, commonly called *Fairholm’s Land*,  
 “ on the east; the high street of the said  
 “ city on the south; and the lake, com-  
 “ monly called the *North-Loch*, on the north-  
 “ parts; being one hundred and fifty feet  
 “ from east to west; on the south-bound-  
 “ ary fronting the high street, comprehend-  
 “ ing the whole houses and ground north-  
 “ ward from the said south-boundary to the  
 “ North-Loch: and to purchase the same at  
 “ such prices as shall be agreed on between  
 “ the saids Commissioners, or any seven or  
 “ more of them, and the said owners and  
 “ occupiers respectively; and being so pur-  
 “ chased, with power to the said Commis-  
 “ sioners to order the said houses to be pul-  
 “ led down, and an Exchange to be erected  
 “ in such form and manner as the said Com-  
 “ missioners, or any seven or more of them,  
 “ regularly convened, shall appoint and  
 “ direct: And it is thereby further enacted,  
 “ That

Powers of the  
 Commission-  
 ers.

“ That it shall and may be lawful to and  
 “ for the saids Commissioners, or any seven  
 “ or more of them, and they are thereby  
 “ required, to let, sell and dispose of the  
 “ buildings to be by them erected at the  
 “ intended Exchange ; and they are thereby  
 “ impowered to let, sell and dispose of the  
 “ same to such person or persons as shall be  
 “ willing to contract, agree for, or purchase  
 “ the same, in whole or in part.” AND  
 WHEREAS the saids Commissioners, in  
 pursuance of the said act of parliament, and  
 in execution thereof, have resolved to begin  
 with the said Exchange, and finish that work  
 according to the plan, and the proposals for  
 executing thereof, delivered unto them by  
 the foresaid members of *Mary’s* chapel, and  
 have proposed to the Town-council to be the  
 contractors, on the part of the public, with  
 the Undertakers for the same, and that the  
 rights to all the areas which are to be purcha-  
 sed in order to erect the building shall be  
 taken to the community of the city of *E-*  
*dinburgh*, until they are disposed of, in or-  
 der to replace, from time to time, the sums  
 that are to be advanced for carrying on the  
 works, by the price which these buildings  
 shall

Exercise of  
these powers.

Commission-  
ers devolve  
the power of  
contracting  
on the Town-  
council.

shall be sold for: AND as it was not certain, whether the middle part of the building of the Exchange is to be fitted up for the Custom-house, or for private dwellings, the Commissioners having received proposals for finishing that part of the building in either view, and agreed with the Undertakers to build it the one way or the other, as they shall be directed; so the said Commissioners recommended it to the Council to treat with the Board of customs thereabout, that the city may be the proprietors of the Custom-house. AND WHEREAS the Magistrates and Council, by their act, dated the 29th of *August* 1753, did agree, conclude, statute and ordain, that the Town-council will, from time to time, be the contractors on the part of the public, with the Undertakers whom the trustees named for the erection of the said building, having the subscriptions made over to the city for the community's relief, and the rights to the several areas to be purchased; and that they will enter into treaty with the Board of customs for accommodating them with a proper office for that revenue; As in and by the said act of parliament, resolutions of the Commissioners,

And to treat  
about the  
Customhouse.

Town-coun-  
cil accept.



Town-council  
become  
contracters.

Undertakers  
propofals a-  
greed unto.

Total charge.

Commissioners, and act of the Town-council, in part before recited, will more fully appear. AND WHEREAS the said Lord Provost and Magistrates have accordingly purchased, or are about the purchasing, the houses and grounds before designed, for forming a square to serve the foresaid Exchange, for the price of *L. 11749 : 6 : 8*, Sterling money, *at least*, to be only rateable at such price to the said Undertakers, AND HAVE, with the foresaid Commissioners, appointed and directed the form and manner of erecting the building for such Exchange : AND THAT the saids *Patrick Jamieson, Alexander Peter, George Stevenson, John Moubray, and John Fergus*, upon getting the area and houses to be built around the Exchange assured to them, HAVE engaged and undertaken to and with the saids Magistrates, AS WELL to perform the whole work on their own proper risk, cost and charge, upon an estimate of *L. 19707 : 16 : 4* ; AS that they will repay to the said Magistrates, the foresaid sum of *L. 11749 : 6 : 8*, so laid or to be laid out for purchasing the area of the said building, AMOUNTING such undertaking, on their part, in whole to thirty one thousand

thousand four hundred and fifty seven pounds three shillings Sterling money of *Great Britain*. And now that both parties have agreed thereto, and thereupon adjusted, ascertained and settled, all matters and things about the said area and buildings, conform to plans and estimates hereto referred; AND THAT the whole be reduced into a contract on the terms, in manner, and to the purport following: Therefore the saids *Patrick Jamieson, Alexander Peter, George Stevenson, John Moubray, and John Fergus*, of the one part, bind and oblige them, jointly and severally, their heirs, executors and successors, THAT they, their foresaids, workmen or assignies, or some or one of them, for the considerations herein after-mentioned, shall and will forthwith, at their own proper costs and charges, take down and demolish the ruinous houses on the foresaid ground where the buildings designed to serve the foresaid Exchange is to be placed, and cart away, as well the rubbish therefrom, as what shall be dug for and from the foundations of the walls and vaults, to be thereupon built, and to carry away the stuff, and by the direction of the saids Commissioners

Present consideration.

Articles on the part of the Undertakers.

To pull down the ruins,

Clear the rubbish,

oners lay down the same, in their option, either on the Castlehill, or on the area behind the cap and feather tavern: or in case any stop may be made to the spreading such rubbish on the Castlehill, or that, for the present, it may be thought unnecessary to carry the same to the area behind the cap and feather tavern; then, and in these cases, to lay down such rubbish on the north-tail of the ground hereby to be builded upon, so as it may be ready to the Magistrates, and on their cost either to remove the same, when needed, to the area behind the cap and feather tavern, or spread on the ground below for narrowing the North-Loch and forming banks along the sides of the same, as the saids Commissioners or Magistrates shall direct: and IN THE PLACE AND STEAD THEREOF, when the said ground is so cleared, shall, at their proper risk, costs and charges, find and furnish all materials and workmanship, and thereupon build, erect and finish, to the best of their art and skill, All that Building to serve for an Exchange for Merchants, and other people in the city of *Edinburgh* to resort unto, to be SITUATE, and limited on the

Find all materials,

Erect the Exchange.



the EAST by the west gable of that stone-land commonly called *Fairholm's* land, and extending from that westwards 153 feet, inclusive of an open from the ground to the top of the building of four feet between said *Fairholm's* land and the east wall of the east wing, for allowing the dropping over of the roof on both sides; excepting a space of 26 feet northwards from the front, which is to be roofed in, and joined to *Fairholm's* land, to answer as closets, and for other purposes for the east wing, and under which there is to be an entry four feet wide, leading into said open, to be properly paved for the better carrying off the water; and on the SOUTH by the high street, excepting a projection of three feet, which the wings will make, by advancing so much further south than the front of the adjoining buildings, so as to distinguish them; and on the NORTH by a line parallel to the fronts of the said jambs, extending from west to east  $111\frac{1}{4}$  feet from out to out; and from south to north 180 feet, also from out to out in a straight line, besides the projection on the back front opposite to the great stair, which will be 24 feet from east to west by three feet northwards,

Situation of  
the Exchange.

B

and

Dimensions.

and on the east jamb which will be 27 from east to west by ten feet northwards, *OF THE DIMENSIONS*, and to consist of a body of a house  $111\frac{1}{2}$  feet in length from out to out, and  $51\frac{1}{2}$  feet broad over walls in the centre line, besides the projections last mentioned, and two wings or jambs projecting forwards to the south from the ends of said body, 131 feet each, for forming the east and west sides of the Square, with a range of building on the south along the sides of the street 19 feet high from the level of the court, being of a height with the basement of the building, with a platform-roof thereon, covered with lead, rising not above two feet more of perpendicular height, and nine feet sunk below the level of the court, to the level of the under ground-floor of the said range of building; *AND TO HAVE THE FRONT BUILDING* 34 feet over walls from south to north, placed one foot further north than the wings of the building, that the wings may have a break so much before the range, and to have an entry in the center of ten feet wide, and on the inside rustic arches, in which the doors and windows of the inside shops are to be introduced, in the same manner as the other three sides of

Frontispiece.

of the Square are to be ; *ALL TO FORM A SQUARE COURT* of 83 feet from south to north, exclusive of a piazza 13 feet deep, to be laid along the south side of the main building, and 89 feet wide from east to west, including the space occupied by a well or void left between the east wall of the Writers-court and the under-ground vaults, of eight feet wide, and 42 feet in length, from the south front of the main building, for letting in light to the houses in the said Writers-court which are under the level ; *AND TO HAVE A PIAZZA* included in the said Square for an Exchange, consisting of the arches, imposts and ballustrade, in the form and dimensions after mentioned ; *AND TO CONTAIN* in and around the said Square, *Firstly*, Ten shops on a line with the street, with rooms over them ; *Secondly*, Four shops behind the range to the street, with rooms over them ; *Thirdly*, Seven shops within the court with rooms over them : *Fourthly*, Ten laigh shops to the street ; *Fifthly*, Eleven laigh shops within the court ; *Sixthly*, Two houses on the east wing ; *Seventhly*, One house on the west wing ; *Eighthly*, Other three houses, whereof two on the south end of the wings  
to

And form a Square.

And have a Piazza for an Exchange.

Number of shops and houses to be contained in the Square.



To be named  
the Exchange.

Time limited  
to finish the  
building.

Conform to  
plans and e-  
stimates.

Manner of  
performing  
the work.

In foundati-  
ons.

to the street, and one on the north of the east wing; *Ninthly*, Two printing-houses; *Tenthly*, Four dwelling-houses under the level of the court; *Eleventhly*, Three coffee-houses; and, *Twelfthly*, and *lastly*, A custom-house: And the said ranges of building and Square, when erected, to be hereafter called by the name of *The Exchange*. AND ALL SUCH BUILDING, and every thing of and belonging thereunto, on or before the 15th day of *May*, which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and sixty two years, fully and wholly to construct, build, erect and finish, in good, firm, substantial, ornate and workman-like manner, in every respect, ACCORDING to the method hereby, and by the plans, elevations, sections, and estimates thereof, prescribed, agreed, and expressed; all subscribed of this date between the parties in manner after directed, and by these presents referred, and hereunto specially relating. Particularly touching the MASON-WORK, THAT all the foundations shall be so digged, as to make them proper and safe for building upon, in order to prevent crevasses and rents in the walls, AND THAT THE WALLS to be built, shall be,  
from

from bottom to top, in manner, and of the dimensions, following; that is to say, **THAT** <sup>Walls.</sup> the foundations of the north-wall shall be five feet thick; all the other outside-walls, and those that bear vents on the inside, at four and a half feet thick, and the vault-walls at four feet thick: That in the ground-storey there shall be a set-off, of six inches, in all the walls, except the back-wall, and from it nine inches are to be reduced; and in the second storey the cross mid-wall and back-wall shall be four feet thick, and all the rest three and a half feet thick, except those in the west stair, which shall be only two and a half feet thick, and the third storey shall be the same; and all the walls of the vaults above the foundations shall be two feet nine inches thick; and the partitions of these vaults shall be two feet, and all the pillars in the stone-stairs shall be one foot thick to the top; and the back-wall in the coffeehouse-storey level with the court, shall be three and one half feet thick, and the mid-wall four feet thick, and the wall in the breck under the pedimont shall be four feet thick; and all the walls of the custom-house shall be three feet thick, except the two cross partitions, which shall

Walls.

shall be one and a half foot thick ; and the walls in the two wings level with the court shall be three and a half feet thick, and in the parlour floor shall be three feet thick ; and where there are timber-stairs shall be thinn'd to two feet three inches, and the cross mid-walls which carry vents shall be three and one half feet to the top, and the drawing-room floor shall be the same as the parlour ; and in the attic-floor there shall be a sett of three inches, reducing the outer wall to two foot nine inches at top ; and the whole of these walls shall be composed of good rubble stone, the front to the court and street all broched work, between the windows and in level courses, of a good well-coloured stone ; and all the hewn rustics, and other hewn work on front, shall be polished in the best manner, and of one sort and colour of stone, and such as shall stand the weather without throwing out ; and all the door and window rebbets shall be of hewed work, and polished, well banded into the wall, and no upstart rebbets to be used in any part of the building, but to be coursed with out-band and in-band, and so ranged that all the lintels shall be laid on sufficient inband-rebbets, and the checks of the said rebbets for receiving

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receiving the door frames shall be three and one fourth inches deep, and those for the windows shall be three and one fourth inches deep, for the more freedom of the paces, as most of the windows are large; and the cement for the whole shall be composed of good sea-sand and well-burnt lime: AND the whole work in the foundations SHALL be laid with out and in-band large flat bedded stones packed in a sufficient manner, and with good mortar made of lime mixed, and made up with sea-sand; AND as to the other parts of the said rubble-work, the bed of every stone shall be at least two inches broader than it is high; and in every other course the end of the stone shall be turned to the face of the wall, and the length of the stone shall be turned in through the wall: ALL WHICH shall be sufficiently bedded, grouted, and filled up with mortar of lime and sea-sand, and the rubble-walls shall be harled as they are carried up: AND all the HEWN WORK of the said building shall be executed according to the dimensions and form expressed for the fronts to the court, agreeable to the manner before mentioned; and the whole rebbets of the windows and doors shall make out-bands and in-bands, without start-ups;

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ups; and all the rebbets in those parts of the building which is to be rubble-work shall be from fourteen inches to eighteen in height, and the soles and lintels shall not be under seven inches thick; AND the whole CORNERS of the building shall be done with broached free-stone not under two feet long, nor above fourteen inches high; and, in place of using timber for safe-lintels, such shall be arched with stone over all the doors and windows both on the out-side and in-side of the house; and there shall be wrought, laid and furnished, a stone cornish of nine inches thick, and nine inches projection, for the back-walls of the said building, for throwing the easing-drop from off the wall; AND all the different storeys of the said Square, both body, east jamb, and wings, shall be divided, either by stone-walls, lath and plaister, or brick partitions, in every respect according to the plans. *AND AS TO THE VAULTS* or cellars in the foresaid building, **THAT** the whole thereof shall be built of good and sufficient flat-bedded stones and mortar as above described, the pend-stones even at the crown or top of the arches, and not be under fourteen inches deep, and to fill up

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up the whole flanks or haunches of the arches with solid rubble-work, well-bedded and grouted: AND as to the vaults under the court, that are on a level with the second storey of the back-building, that they shall be of a length equal to the wideness of the area, and of a breadth equal to that of the piazza, with another twenty feet long, and sixteen feet wide at each end, on the south of the said vaults; and on the level of the third storey of the back-building, of a length equal to the wideness of the said area, and of a breadth equal to that of the piazza; and three other vaults at each end, twenty feet in length upon the area of the court, and forty two feet over walls from south to north; and in the storey immediately under the level of the court, of the full wideness and breadth of said court: which three storeys of vaults shall make together the height of thirty seven feet, equal to that of the back building, from the level of the second storey to the level of the area or court, including the thickness of the arches and pavement; AND the space in the center below the vaults, which is immediately under the level of the court, shall be filled up with

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rubbish (seeing it can neither have light nor air) excepting such parts as shall be occupied by the drains ; AND THAT they will put free-stone rebbets in the doors to all the vaults under the court, with double or backed timber doors and frames, and sufficient locks and hinges thereto, and pave the floors, and make proper funnels, with iron grates, for conveying light into the vaults immediately under the level of the court, to the number of twelve, of different dimensions, according to the spaces where they may be needed, the bars to be one inch square, and not to be more than one and a half inch distant from one another ; and to caussaway all the vents in the different storeys in a sufficient manner.

*AND AS TO THE DRAINS* expressed on the plan of the foundations, extending sixty feet beyond the back front, SUCH SHALL BE four and an half feet high to the spring of the arch, which shall rise one foot, and shall be three feet wide within, and the side walls of the drains shall be two and one half feet thick, and the arch shall be of good rubble-stone, and the bottom paved with strong flagg-stones, lapping over one another four inches at least, and let six inches into the wall

Of Drains.

wall on each side ; AND THERE SHALL be carried up proper CONVEYANCES thro' the several walls of the building to the kitchens and water-closets of the different houses, for discharging the foul water from them into the drains, and for admitting pipes of clean water for the service and conveniency thereof ; and these conveyances shall be properly inclosed, so as to keep them from being noxious to the shops below, and yet so as easy access may be got to the pipes to rectify them when necessary ; AND THAT eight proper funnels shall be made up for the drains for conveying away the rain water from the roof of the said buildings, and from the area of the court, with eight iron grates and eight sink stones, the iron grates to be two feet square, each composed of bars of one inch square, and at one inch distance from each other, with hinges, and lock'd down with a screw, to prevent stones or rubbish from getting in, that might in any ways obstruct the passage. *AND AS TO THE CHIMNEYS AND VENTS*, that there shall be placed properly, and according to the plans, 235 chimneys ; and their vents shall be carried up, and all the divisions or brigs shall be of a sufficient thickness, not under three

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three inches, even at the top ; and all the vents shall be sufficiently large and proportioned to the sizes of the rooms and kitchens they are to serve, the smallest size of vents not to be under 14 inches by 10 inches, the middle size not to be under 17 inches by 10 inches, and the largest size not under 20 inches by 10 inches at the narrowest places ; and the whole vents shall be plaistered with pargetting-mortar ; and in all which vents care shall be taken to have them carried up so as to be free of smoaking, and the utmost endeavour shall be used to cure them if they do : AND there shall be made a ragling on the sides of the chimney-heads where the slate-work joins to them, for letting in the farking and slate, in order to prevent the rain-water from coming in betwixt the roof and the walls ; and shall either corble under the whole hearths with stone, or arch the same with brick, so as the outside-hearths shall not be bedded upon the timber-work, and thereby render the same more secure against the accident of fire ; AND SHALL place three marble-chimneys in the customhouse, with marble jams and tabernacle frames, and make the whole other chimneys in cut stone, whereof



whereof the three in the coffee-rooms shall be handsome moulded chimneys, with architrave, freeze, and cornish relieved pilasters and consols, the whole outside and inside hearths to be of polished work, and each of these hearth-stones shall be of one solid piece, and the outside-hearths shall be at least two feet broad; and shall furnish and set the insides or covings of sixty six chimneys in the building, with good *Dutch* chimney-tiles; and shall build the whole chimney-heads of droved free-stone, the cornishes and coping whereof to be battled with lead, and the brigs to be dove-tail'd into the coping; and all the chimney-stalks shall be of hewn-stone, with cornice and coping, but not polished. *AND AS TO THE STAIRS*, That the great stair to the customhouse shall be made a Of Stairs. hanging-stair of stone, both steps and plats, from the bottom to the top thereof; the length of the steps and plats to be six feet in day-light, with eighteen inches more at least of a counter-balance, with a bottled moulding on the fronts and ends; the whole to be so formed and joggled together, as to be thoroughly sufficient and strong; the treads of the steps, when wrought, not to be under  
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fifteen inches broad, including the bottles, besides the overlapping; and the rise of the step not to exceed seven inches high at most; the whole to be neatly jointed and polished: As ALSO build a scale-stair of stone at the north end of each of the wings, which stairs shall be carried from the ground-floor up to the level of the floor over the highest shops, agreeable to the plan, with a newal wall of a foot thick betwixt the two flights of steps, the ends of which newals to be done of dressed free stone breaking-bond, regularly, without start-ups; the steps in the east stair to be  $4\frac{1}{2}$  feet long of day light, and of the west one 4 feet 9 inches day-light when laid, with a hold in the wall of at least 4 inches at each end, and to be 14 inches broad on the tread including the bottle, but not to be under 16 inches when laid, so that each step may overlap one another at least two inches; and all the plats and steps of the stairs shall be polished work: As also there shall be built a scale-stair of stone in each of the south houses of the two wings, which shall be carried from the levels of the floors of the cellars, immediately under the level of the court, up to the garrets of these wings; the steps

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in each stair to be 4 feet long of day-light, with a newal wall of a foot thick betwixt the two flights of steps; which steps, plats, and newals, shall be done exactly in the same manner as above described for the other two stairs: As ALSO shall arch under the middle of every plat of the five stairs for supporting thereof, in a sufficient and substantial manner, and not to safe-lintel either with timber or stone. DECLARING, That altho' the cellars or vaults lying on the north side of the middle gables in the said wings, go no deeper than 32 feet below the level of the court, yet the stone stair on the north of the west wing shall be continued down so far, as to give an access into *Mary King's* clofs, and the stone stair in the west end of the piazza shall be continued down so far as to give access to the houses under the level of the court and vaults in that part: As ALSO the stair on the north of the east wing shall be continued down so far as to give access to the houses and vaults in these parts, as well as an entry into *Allan's* close. *AND AS TO THE ROOFS*, That they shall provide, Of Roofs. make, and set on a sufficient roof on all the different parts of the said building, with  
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farking and plat-form dales of good red fir-logs, composed of principal rafters 9 by  $8\frac{1}{2}$  inches; the purlines  $8\frac{1}{2}$  square, and not to exceed 9 feet of a bearing in the clear; ALL the scantlings  $7\frac{1}{2}$  inches by  $2\frac{1}{2}$ , and all the purlines shall be framed into the principal rafters and draw-board, and the farking shall be of  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inch deal, and the flooring on the plat-form  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inch thick: AND SHALL bind the roof over the customhouse, properly, with bolts and straps of iron, and lay the plat-form deals the same way in length with the sheets of lead, and place hatch-ways in the plat-forms properly, for getting access to the leads and chimney-heads; and lead sky-lights, with running sashes, in the different parts of the roof, to the number of forty, in a sufficient manner, so as to be water-tight, in order to give air and light to the different garrets; and the feet of the whole couples shall butt with a heel against a wall-plate, and be spiked down to it; which wall-plate shall be sufficiently and firmly fixed to the upper part of the garret-joisting, so as to take off the lateral pressure of the roof from doing harm to the side-walls: And shall cover the roof of the said building with *Easdale* slate of the best kind,

kind, and in the most sufficient manner, every slate above the smallest size to have two nails, and these not under twenty pound weight per thousand; and to shoulder the slates with plaister-lime, to prevent the wind from shaking them, the slates being exactly squared, in order to be close, and to hinder the drift from getting in, and overlapping one another, so far as the nail in the eye of the first slate shall be sufficiently covered by the tail of the third, and so on: AND SHALL furnish and lay on the lead upon the platforms, flank-speans, and ridges of the roof, and form a lead gutter upon the top of the modillion cornice, to prevent the easing-drop from falling over and spoiling the walls; all which lead-work shall be with proper drips, rolls, overlaps, and raglings, of a sufficient breadth, when laid for the several purposes above-mentioned; and shall be cast at the rate of eight pound weight *Troas* to each foot superficial in the sheet before laying; and shall convey down all the rain water from the roof in lead pipes of  $4\frac{1}{2}$  by 6 inches in the clear; to be fixed in the angles, with lead cisterns and grates at top, and mouldings on the joints, and fix them up with iron batts, and every other

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thing necessary. *AND TOUCHING THE PIAZZA* for the Exchange, that the same shall be according to the plan and elevation thereof, with its arches, imposts and ballustrade, all of polished free-stone, outside and inside; the back-wall of which piazza being the front-wall of the coffee-houses, together with the end-walls, shall also be of polished free-stone, up as far as the ceiling of the said piazza; and all the stone ballusters shall be of the form and dimensions of the pattern delivered in of this date, with a label fixed to it, signed by the Clerk to the Trustees, and by the said Undertakers, to remain in the Clerk's hands, for comparing with the others before they are used; *AND SHALL cover in* the said piazza with a platt-form roof, laid with lead above, and lath'd and plaistered below, and a handsome plaister-cornish going round, forming the ceiling; and the rail of the ballustrade over the Exchange shall be bound with lead; and over the middle of the piazza shall be maid an octangular sky-light, fash'd and glazed, ten feet over, covered above with a strong wire-tirlace, to prevent its being broke.

*AND AS TO THE PAVEMENTS*, That they shall arch in a sufficient and substantial manner

Of Pavements.



manner with brick, upon beams, the floor of the passage leading from the piazza to the great stair of the customhouse, and all the floor of the space occupied by the said stair, and pave with polished free-stone over these arches, so as to prevent as much as possible the accident of fire from the houses below ; AND SHALL lay the steps in the front of the said piazza, and pave the floor thereof, in a substantial, regular and handsome manner ; as also the whole area of the court, and a walk of twelve feet broad, the length of the front next the street, together with the stairs, down to the laigh shops, and steps up to the other shops, all of droved free-stone, none of the said pavement to be under five inches thick when wrought ; and fill up all the flanks or haunches of the arches in said building with solid rubble-work, to bring it to a level with the crown of the arch ; and lay a bed of till, at least six inches thick, over the whole vaults, composed of clay, lime and smiddy-culm, well and proportionally mixed and ramm'd, and the joints of the pavement, which is to be laid on this till, to be secured with pan-cratch or terras sufficiently beat and prepared : AND SHALL pave the floors of all  
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the laigh shops in both wings, and of all the kitchens in the severall houses, with broatched free-stone, breaking-bond, and well jointed, and bedded with lime, to prevent the same from shifting, and ramm all the loose earth sufficiently in all the ground-floors where the said pavements are to be laid. *AND AS TO THE FRONT* of the building, that the same shall be executed and dressed in a proper manner, according to the said plan; and that they shall perform the whole great cornish, the pediment, pedestals, and vases on the middle breaking of the front, and carve or cut the City's arms and other enrichments in the core of the pediment, in manner as follows, *viz.* The pediment to have pedestals on each end, and one on the top, with three proper vases set thereon; and in the center of the pediment, the City's arms to be cut after the manner of the town's seal, with the proper supporters, adorned with foliages and other enrichments; and the whole carving to be performed by the best hands can be had in *North Britain*. *AND FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF THE WRITERS-COURT* into the Square, seeing that, altho' the west wing is to extend one hundred

hundred and thirty one feet south from the body of the building, yet, as the houses and shops to be contained in the said wing must be confined northward to the south gable of the east jamm of Writers-court, and can extend no further, so that the east wall of the Writers-court comes to be introduced into the Square, and to advance one foot eastward in upon the court by a break for discontinuing the range of windows; and as it must be dressed differently from that of the new buildings, on account of the altitudes and situation of the said windows; **SO SUCH DRESSING** shall be composed of five pilasters of the Corinthian order, set upon the top of the basement, and wrought of good red fir, the capitals of the pilasters of lead, and the spaces between made up of good hard plaister, and the whole of the wood-work painted in oil, and coated with sand suitable to the hewn stone in the other parts of the building, in a sufficient and workman-like manner. **AND SUCH** part of the east wing, which is opposite to the Writers-court, shall be dressed with pilasters in like manner, but composed of hewn-stone, as the other parts of the new building are to be; which east wing will

How the Writers-court is to be introduced,

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East wing to be dressed.



will be bounded on the east by the forementioned space of four feet immediately west from *Fairholm's* land, and shall be twenty six feet wide on the north, where it joins the main building, and thirty one feet on the south, where it is to come up to the high street from out to out, because of the adjoining buildings not lying at right angles with the street, beside a space of four feet by 26 feet on the south end of the said open, which shall be covered *in* at the height of 10 feet up from the level of the street, for the behoof of the said wing, with door-ways therefrom; also the break in the entry where the pediment is raised, shall be dressed with pilasters of the same order, so as to correspond with those on the wings, having a modillion cornish; and the cornish in other parts where there is to be no pilasters shall not have any modillion, but plain moulding; and the whole of the hewn-work on the outside shall be composed of one sort of well-coloured free-stone. *AND AS TO THE WINDOWS,* that they shall furnish, perform, and put in the whole sash-windows agreeable to the dimensions in the plan, and in manner next following; that is to say, all the sashes exceeding

Of Windows.

exceeding fix feet by three and one half feet, which the far greatest part of the building do, shall have oak-foals, and the sashes of good  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inch thick wainscot; also the cases shall be of wainscot, all the rest of the outside-windows of two inch thick wainscot, the inside of the windows of  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inch thick clean fir; the windows through the whole building glaz'd with best *Newcastle* crown, and all the sashes hung with best ropes and pullies, passages not excepted; and the whole sash-frames or cases shall be also of wainscot, and the whole shall be painted twice over with white-lead and oil, and shall have counter-checks out of the solid; and the whole shall be filled with the best *Newcastle* crown-glass, bedded and finished with putty; and each of the sash-frames shall have a thin fir-board on the back-side, to prevent the panes from rubbing on the walls. *AND TOUCHING THE*

*WRIGHT-WORK*, That they shall provide the whole wood or timber of different kinds necessary for the erecting of and finishing the foresaid building, according to the plan, sufficient and free of blemish; and shall furnish and finish the whole in manner following; that is to say, the joisting of the several

Of Wright-work.

several storeys shall be framed of good red wood, the beams shall be  $10\frac{1}{2}$  by 9 inches; the girders shall be  $10\frac{1}{2}$  by  $8\frac{1}{2}$ , with a cambering of one inch to 18 feet; and all the scantlings shall be 10 by 3 inches, and not above 13 feet of a bearing, and laid at 13 inches distance; and the beams shall be  $9\frac{1}{2}$  feet distance; and the deals shall be very well seasoned, to prevent warping or shrinking: AND the whole timber for the doors and shutters of the different kinds thro' the whole building, and for the flooring, wainscoting, surbace-lining and mouldings, shall be of sufficient red wood, free of sap or shakes, and thoroughly seasoned; and the floorings of the Board-room in the Customs, and their two withdrawing-rooms, and Secretary's inner room, and the parlour and drawing-room of each of the five dwelling-houses, shall be of clean deal, either groved and tongued, or douled, and  $1\frac{1}{4}$  of an inch thick, nailed on the edge; and the wainscoting in all the principal rooms shall be  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches thick the framing, and  $\frac{7}{8}$  inch thick the pannels, all to be raised; and the surbace-lining, and lining in the windows, thro' the whole building, shall be  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inches the framing, and  $\frac{3}{4}$  inches thick the pannels; the room doors thro' the whole



whole buildings shall be 2 inches thick (except those in the closets and interfoles) with 6 pannels 1 inch thick in each; the doors of the closets and interfoles shall be four pannels, excepting where they require to be six, for symmetry with the other doors; and all the doors of the vaults, and other passage-doors, framed of 2 inch deal and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inch thick flush-pannels, with proper door-frames; AND all the doors in the Board-room of the customs, and their two withdrawing-rooms, and the Secretary's inner room, shall have proper architraves reprised with swelling frizes, cornish-pediment, and enriched mouldings, and shall have architraves round the windows in the said four rooms; and in each of the five dwelling houses, the parlour, drawing-room, and principal bed-rooms, shall have ovolo-mouldings round the doors and windows; and all the other room-doors throughout the building, shall have architraves with one *fascia* on outside and inside; and all the outside doors throughout the building shall be framed with pannels flush on both sides; AND SHALL use iron hold-fasts for fixing these parts of the timber-finishing, where wooden dooks would be hurtful to the building; AND

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SHALL furnish and perform the window-shutters and doors to all the shops, with pannels flushed on both sides with the stiles, except where sash-doors shall be thought better; and have of this date delivered in patterns of the several hand-rails and ballusters to be furnished by them for the great stone stair, and the timber stairs, with a label fixed to each of them, signed by the Clerk to the Trustees and the said Undertakers, which are to remain in the Clerk's hands, for comparing the sample with the stock before they are used: AND the standards in the partitions of the 12 and 15 foot storeys, shall be 4 inches by  $2\frac{1}{2}$ , and set at 14 inches distance, and in the inter-sole storeys shall be 3 inches by 2 inches, and 14 inches distance; and the whole lathed on both sides sufficiently: AND SHALL level the plain ceilings thro' the whole building, and furnish braggating for all coved ceilings, and for all the cornishes. *AND AS TO THE PLAISTERING WORK*, That the same shall be execute in the best manner, and with the properest materials; and there shall be three coats of plaister done on the ceilings and walls of the rooms in the dwelling-houses, Customhouse, and Exchange, and all flotted;

Of plaisterer-work.

flotted; the stairs, passages, shops, and printing-houses, shall have 2 coats of good well prepared sanded lime, WITH handsome well-proportioned plaister-cornishes to the whole rooms; and that for the great stair shall be enriched with egg and dart in the bed-moulding, and with three-leaved grass in the ogie over the *corona*; which three coats of hard-finishings thro' the whole building, shall be done in the following manner, *viz.* the first coat with lime, sand and hair, scratched, and thoroughly dried; the second with the same materials, and flotted straight; and the third with fine sifted sand, and flotted straight; and plumb and float the whole plaister-work of every kind thro' the whole building. *AND*

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*AS* to the several branches of *SMITH-WORK*, That they shall furnish and put on all the locks and hinges, and every other article of smith-work mentioned in their particular estimate, at the rates therein stated, according to the different patterns thereof, delivered in of the date hereof, with a label fixed to each of them, signed, and to remain in the Clerk's hands, for comparing before used, as aforesaid. *AND GENERALLY* shall furnish and finish the whole premises, as before set furth, described or referred unto. *At Least*

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that they will provide and perform the whole of the foresaid diggers and clearers work, the mason-work, the slater, plumber, paviour, and other face and out-work, in and about the said whole buildings, in the form before expressed, and in the design agreed upon; AS ALSO furnish and finish all the wright, carpenter, joiner, smith, plasterer, glazier, painter, bricklayer, carver, and every other in-work, whether herein mentioned or omitted, or not rightly mentioned, necessary to complete and make habitable such part of the foresaid building as is proposed for a Custom-house, with its whole appurtenances, by all things as before directed. FOR THAT NOTWITHSTANDING of all this specification of performing the work about the other parts of the said building, it shall nevertheless be in the power of the said Undertakers, EITHER to dispose of the several other shops and houses beforementioned, contained in and around the foresaid Square and buildings hereby intended to be erected; and that from time to time, after the roofs of the said several houses and shops are put on, and the joists laid; and that to any person, for such price as the Undertakers and Purchasers can

can agree upon: AND WITH LIBERTY to such purchasers, to finish or alter the internal division and finishing of the parcel so to be purchased by them, suitable to their own taste and inclination; or otherways, for inducement to the citizens the more readily to become purchasers of the said houses and shops when fitted up, with power to the saids Undertakers themselves to finish the internal division of all or any of such houses or shops for private sale, in such other or different manner as they may think, or be advised, will best suit the reigning taste at the time, or hit that of particular persons; but all this, so as noways to lower or infringe the estimate or charge of all and every the saids houses and shops as herein after specified, and under the restrictions, and upon payment of the price of such houses and shops so to be sold off unfinished, on the terms after mentioned. And further, the said Patrick Jamieson, Alexander Peter, George Stevenson, John Moubray, and John Fergus, bind and oblige them, jointly and severally, and their fore-saids, that they, their fore-saids, workmen or assignies, or some or one of them, shall, at their like proper costs and charges, provide

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To carry off the rubbish.

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Liberty to the Commissioners to have an inspector.

provide all necessary materials for scaffoldings, gangways, mortar-tubs, mortar-hods, centers for arches, or others, for the beginning, carrying on, and finishing the said work, in all its branches; AND THAT they will not use any timber, mix rubbish among the mortar, nor use any other of the materials of the old houses in the new work to be performed by them, except the old stones, and that in the rubble-work only; AND THAT they will from time to time, clear and carry away all the cumbersome rubbish during the progress of the work, and the whole rubbish whatsoever, which shall be made arise, or be occasioned by reason of the said building, on the perfecting thereof: AND IN CASE the said undertaking shall not be in all things so fully compleated and finished, on or before the said term of Whitsunday 1762, that then, and from thenceforth, they will pay unto the saids Magistrates, the sum of L. 1. by the week, for every week which the said work shall so remain and be unfinished and uncompleated: AND THEY, the saids Undertakers, *ALSO AGREE*, that the saids Commissioners shall have liberty to depute one or more skilful persons, at their pleasure, to come at all



all convenient times in the day-time, with work-men, or without, to superintend the execution of the said buildings, and view, search and try whether the same is faithfully and skilfully carried on, according to the plans, estimate and intent of this present contract: WITH POWER to such inspectors, if they discover a defect or insufficiency, in either the method, the materials, or the work, to put thereupon a stop to, and hinder the using or working the same, until it is remedied to the satisfaction of the said overseer, or one or more of the Commissioners or others to be appointed by them; PROVIDED that no stop given verbally by such overseer, shall subsist or be in force longer than 24 hours; and if satisfaction is not in such space received, that the overseer shall be obliged to renew such stop by an order in writing, to be directly served upon some of the Undertakers, or their known foreman upon the work, personally, or at their dwelling-place; and whatever shall be required or determined by the inspector, or by one or other of the Commissioners upon such verbal or written stop, shall be returned in writing (if so required) and be by the Undertakers fulfilled in the terms thereof,

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of, such return being pronounced within eight days from the time of the stop; otherways that the Undertakers shall be at liberty to proceed in the work, as if no such stop had been made. And as it is the meaning of parties, and the design of all concerned, that neither the saids Commissioners for the publick buildings, constituted by the said act of Parliament, nor the said Magistrates and Council, should run, incurr, or be subjected to any risk in the sale of the houses, and shops to be builded in and about the fore-said Square, for serving of the said Exchange; So IT is hereby expressly agreed, AND the saids *Patrick Jamieson, Alexander Peter, George Stevenson, John Moubray, and John Fergus*, bind and oblige them, jointly and severally, and their foresaids, by these presents, to run the risk, and take the hazard of the sale of the saids houses and shops upon themselves, at the several and respective estimations as follows, *viz. Firstly*, The ten shops to be on a line with the street, with rooms over them, at Thirty pounds yearly rent each, and at twenty years purchase, extending to Six thousand pounds; *Secondly*, The four shops to be behind the range to the street, with rooms over them,

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at twenty pounds yearly rent each, and twenty years purchase, extending to One thousand six hundred pounds; *Thirdly*, The seven shops to be within the court, with rooms over them, at twenty pounds yearly rent each, and twenty years purchase, extending to Two thousand eight hundred pounds; *Fourthly*, The ten laigh shops to be to the street, at fifteen pounds yearly rent each, and at twenty years purchase, extending to Three thousand pound; *Fifthly*, The eleven laigh shops to be within the court at ten pounds yearly rent each, and at fifteen years purchase, extending to One thousand six hundred and fifty pounds; *Sixthly*, The two houses to be on the east wing, at seven hundred and fifty pounds each, extending to One thousand five hundred pounds; *Seventhly*, The house to be on the west wing, at Four hundred and fifty pounds; *Eighthly*, The three houses whereof the two to be on the south end of the wings to the street, and whereof one to be on the north of the east wing, at eight hundred pounds each, extending to Two thousand four hundred pounds; *Ninthly*, The two printing-houses, at Eight hundred and thirty two pounds; *Tenthly*, The four dwelling-houses to be

The houses.



under the level of the court, at four hundred and sixty pounds each, extending to One thousand eight hundred and forty pounds ; *Eleventhly*, The three coffee-houses, at Two thousand nine hundred and twenty pounds ; *Twelfthly*, The customhouse, at Five thousand eight hundred and thirty three pounds six shillings and eight pence. AND ADDING to these sums the computation of the value of the old materials, and the worth of an additional piece of area to be purchased for a servitude by the Magistrates, and given to the Undertakers, besides the whole area first agreed upon, at the sum of *L. 720*, WILL MAKE the said estimation, by which the Undertakers are to take the houses and shops on themselves, TO AMOUNT in whole to the sum of *L. 31545 : 6 : 8*, all *Sterling* money of *Great Britain*, and thereby exceed by the sum of *L. 88 : 3 : 8 Sterling* money, the computation of the value of the area, and charge of the building first agreed upon by the estimations hereunto referred. AND AT SUCH last estimations, so herein before inserted, the said particular subjects shall be held and reputed, and so rated and accounted for, if not sold on or before the Expiry of  
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Total estimation,  
*L. 31545*

Undertakers  
to be bound  
to such estimation.

this contract. EXCEPTING only that part of the building proposed for a Customhouse, which, with the four cellars immediately under the court next the main building belonging thereto, if not taken for a Customhouse at the rate before set thereon, and which the Magistrates shall determine betwixt and *Lammas* 1755; or if the Undertakers shall be obliged to convert the same into private dwelling-houses and cellars; that then, and in either of these cases, there shall be abated and allowed, out of the estimation thereof foresaid, the sum of *L. 401 : 6 : 8 Sterling* money; but deducing therefrom the foresaid sum of *L. 88 : 3 : 8*, as the difference of the foresaid whole last estimation now taken burden for, and thereby reducing the deduction so to be made upon the Customhouse, if not used to that purpose, to the sum of *L. 313 : 3 : 0 Sterl.* AND WHICH SUM of *L. 313 : 3 : 0* the said Magistrates, on the one hand, shall become bound to repeat or deduce to the said Undertakers, if the said houses for a Customhouse be not disposed of for that purpose: as, on the other hand, if they shall be so disposed of, that then the said surplus sum of *L. 88, 3 s. 8 d.* shall be paid by the said Undertakers unto

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unto the said Magistrates. *AND FURTHER*, the saids Undertakers agree, That, in case all, or any of the houses and shops before mentioned, shall give more and higher prices than the estimations before particularly set thereon ; that then, and in that case, they will communicate and pay one half of all or any such surplus-price to, and with the saids Magistrates, for the behoof of the saids Commissioners, to be applied by them for the purposes mentioned in the said act of parliament.

Magistrates to  
purchase the  
areas,

*And as* the saids Magistrates have, or are to become purchasers of the old houses and area whereupon the foresaid Square, Exchange and buildings, are to be erected, at the price of *L. 11749 : 6 : 8 Sterling* ; at least at such price the same is hereby declared, computed, transacted, and agreed, shall be so rated and valued between the parties, whether costing more or less : *AND AGAIN, AS* the said

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work.

Magistrates, for expediting the work, are likewise as well to advance the said purchase-money, as to lend and advance to the said Undertakers, certain sums after mentioned, not exceeding in whole *L. 18000*, for enabling them to carry on the work, at the times, and by the proportions underwritten ; *so for*  
and



and concerning repayment of such sums, the saids *Patrick Jamieson, Alexander Peter, George Stevenson, John Moubray, and John Fergus*, bind and oblige them, jointly and severally, and their foresaids, AS WELL to pay the said sum of *L. 11749 : 6 : 8*, being the transacted value of the said areas, AS to repay all such sums so to be advanced to them for carrying on the work, AND THAT in manner, at the terms, with interest, and under the penalties respectively under written: to wit, **WHENEVER** any of the said houses or shops, in and about the foresaid Square and edifice, shall be either sold by them before completing the whole afore said undertaking, or how soon any particular house or shop thereof shall be possessed; then to pay to the saids Magistrates, or their order, as well two-fifths, or Forty Pounds, for each Hundred pounds, in part payment, and to account of the said principal sum of *L. 11749 : 6 : 8*, for the value of the said areas, as the remaining three-fifths, or Sixty pounds for each Hundred pounds, in part reimburse repayment, and to account of whatever advances may have at the time been made to them for carrying on the work, of all and every Hundred pounds

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when houses  
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pounds which the said houses and shops shall either be disposed for by the said Undertakers, or for each Hundred pounds of the value put upon such house or shop by the particular estimations before specified, whichever of these shall be highest, and that within six months after such sale, or after such house or houses, shop or shops, shall be possessed ; with a fifth part of the whole more of penalty, in case of failure, and the legal interest of the said two-fifths and three-fifths *respective* after the said six months during the not-payment of the same: AND THE REMAINDER, as well of the said L. 11749 : 6 : 8, value of the said areas, as the sums to be lent and advanced to carry on the work, if any shall be after the partial payments of two-fifths and three-fifths *respective* beforementioned, all within twelve months after the foresaid term of Whitsunday in the year 1762, at which time the whole buildings are to be compleatly finished, and that whether all the houses or shops are sold or remain unfold, with a fifth part more of penalty in case of failzie, and the legal interest thereof yearly, termly, and proportionally thereafter during the not-payment of the same: *LIKEAS*  
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touching the moneys to be lent and advanced for enabling the carrying on of the building, the saids Undertakers in like manner oblige them and their foresaids to apply all such moneys for and towards carrying on and compleating the work hereby contracted for, and to no other use and purpose whatsoever; AND IN THE MEAN TIME to make payment of an interest for such advances, at the rate of one *per centum* below the legal interest, for each of the sums so to be advanced, and that from thirty days next after the date of the advance to the said term of repayment aforesaid: And the saids Undertakers do hereby DECLARE, that the receipt or receipts of any three of them, or of any one of them impowered by the rest, or of a cashier to be named by them for all their behoofs, shall be deemed sufficient to oblige all of them the saids Undertakers to abide thereto, sikklike as if every one of them had subscribed the same. And to the end the public may have a return of part of the money so to be advanced for carrying on the said work, and have no chance of being out the whole foresaid sum of *L. 18000*; the said Undertakers also become bound to finish and compleat

Some work to  
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compleat the whole front-shops to the street, and all the buildings in the west wing, and that on or before the term of *Whitsunday* which will be in the year 1757. AND AS the foresaid building to serve for an Exchange, is to extend westward 153 feet from *Fairholm's* land, which is eight feet further west than the east side of the present entry into Writers-Court; and that the said Town-Council are to purchase that whole tenement of land called or known by the name of            land, for introducing the said eight feet, towards extending the said building, and are to dispose of, and give the remainder of the area of the said            land to the said Undertakers; SO the said Undertakers, on their part, hereby become bound to pay unto the said Town-Council two just and equal third-parts of whatever sums they shall pay of price for the said whole tenement of land so to be purchased by them at the head of the Writers-Court, and that three years from and after the entering upon the present work, with the legal interest thereafter during the not-payment. AND IN FINE, the saids Undertakers agree, THAT ALTHO' they have compiled an estimate of all the  
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the different branches of the said work, wherein the several quantities are particularly mentioned, and the prices charged to every article; and which estimate is signed by the parties of this date, and has a particular reference to this contract, both for the quantity, nature, and price of the work; **NEVERTHELESS**, that they will subject the whole work, after it is finished, to a measurement, by two persons to be named on the part of the saids Magistrates, and other two to be named by them the Undertakers; and, in case the work upon the whole comes out more upon the measurement than so estimated at, that they will demand no payment for such outcome; and altho' the work upon the whole of the measurement shall fall short of the computation, they will suffer a proportional abatement in the price to be paid them, and that at the rates stated in the said estimate. **BUT DECLARING**, That no verbal, or even written orders or agreements, given or made by either party, in any case whatsoever, shall be any ways binding to or on the other, unless the particular requested shall be under the hand-writing of all the saids parties hereunto contracting. **for the which Causes;**

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and in consideration of the premises, and performance of the Council's part of the aforesaid first mentioned agreement, the said Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council, with the Deacons of crafts, ordinary and extraordinary, of the said City, do, as well for themselves and their successors in office, representatives of the whole body and community of the said City, as for, and in name and on behalf of the said Commissioners nominated by the said act of parliament, BIND AND OBLIGE them to ~~Sell~~ to the said *Patrick Jamieson, Alexander Peter, George Stevenson, John Moubay, and John Fergus*, their heirs, successors, or assignies, ALL THAT AREA, with the ruinous houses and grounds set off by the foresaid plans and this contract for building and erecting the foresaid Exchange, Square, and other edifices before-mentioned, lying, situate and described, as aforesaid, AND ALL the materials of what sort or kind soever they be, that are now or lately were standing on the said area, to become wholly the property of them the said Undertakers: AS ALSO, on or before the term of Whitsunday 1755, at least, from time to time thereafter, TO PURCHASE and



and compleat the right and title to all of the  
said ruinous houses and ground thereof to  
be used for the said building, whenever the  
said Undertakers shall have use for, and re-  
quire the same; AND ALSO PURCHASE the  
foresaid tenement of land called

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the purchases.

land, at the head of the Writers-Court, for  
affording the foresaid eight feet to make the  
said building extend 153 feet westward from  
*Fairholm's* land; and to pay the price for the  
foresaid tenement of land, and allow the  
saids Undertakers to sell, use and dispose of  
the remainder as they shall think fit: AND  
LIKEWAYS PURCHASE and give so much  
space behind the back or north-side of the  
building hereby intended, as to leave an a-  
rea of at least twenty-five feet broad, be-  
tween and any other building that shall be e-  
rected to the north of the said Square, and  
have it declared a free area for ever, so as the  
windows in the under storeys of the said  
back buildings may not be prejudged by a-  
ny such building. AND FURTHER shall war-  
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dertakers from all stops and hinderances that  
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work, from the neighbouring heritors or o-

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thers ; or by reason of any irregularity in the building, contrary to the acts of the Town-council or Dean of Guild-court, and discuss and remove the same on their own charges. And upon compleating the whole work, and on the saids Undertakers their performance of their part of this present contract, in manner before stipulate, THAT the Town-council of the said city of *Edinburgh*, by and with advice, consent and concurrence of the saids Commissioners, or seven or more of them, *shall and will thereupon*, in most ample form, **Dispone** to and in favour of the saids Undertakers and their fore-saids, ALL AND WHOLE the saids area and houses, shops, and others then built thereon, as before-mentioned, and as will then be known, re-edified, situated, and possessed, with the whole parts, pendicles, and pertinents of the same, and all right, title and interest, the said Magistrates or Commissioners had, have, or may pretend thereto, in time coming, and whole benefits, privileges, and other matters whatsoever, so far as concerns the same, vested in or granted to the saids Commissioners, which they and their successors are impowered or capable to assign and

and convey over, by force or virtue of the said act of parliament: AND FOR THAT END grant and deliver to the saids Undertakers, and their foresaids, an formal and valid disposition of the foresaid subjects, in their favour, to be holden in free burgage, containing an obligation to infest them therein, clause of absolute warrandice, obligation to relieve them of all bygone taxes and burdens, assignation to the rents, mails and duties, profits and incomes, from this date until that time, and in all time thereafter, and other usual and necessary clauses; LIKEAS, in the mean time, during the course of the work, when any house or shop is finished and sold, that they shall, upon receipt of the foresaid two-fifths and three-fifths of the price, either consent to or approve of every particular sale which the Undertakers shall make; or on their charges grant separate dispositions and other title-deeds to the respective purchasers, for the parcels bought by them: BUT SAVING always and excepting from the saids dispositions, AND RESERVING for the public, the use of the area, piazza, and other parts of the said building, meant for to serve an Exchange

Or grant separate dispositions.



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change for merchants, and other people of business, to resort to ; and all ways, passages, conveniences, matters and things pertaining and relating to or for the use, accommodation and adornment thereof, to be upheld by the Magistrates and Town-council of the city of *Edinburgh*, in terms of an agreement entered into between them and the Commissioners thereabout. AND PROVIDED that, after all such sales shall be made over and concluded, the saids Commissioners and Town-council and community, and their successors, shall have no further concern in or about the premises, or be subject quarrelable or liable to any question, claim or demand consequent here or thereupon : And further, the saids Magistrates and Town-council towards enabling the saids Undertakers to carry on the said work, DO HEREBY, for them and their successors, become bound *in the mean time* to advance, or cause be advanced, to the forenamed Undertakers and their foresaids, or one or other of them, or their cashier, as before on their part mentioned, ALL SUCH sum and sums of money, as they shall have use for and demand, not exceeding, in the whole, the

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the sum of EIGHTEEN THOUSAND pounds Not exceeding eighteen thousand pounds. Sterling money ; and that in manner, at the times, and by the proportions following, THAT IS TO SAY, L. 750 when the Undertakers enter upon the work, towards the west wing of the building, AND L. 250 when the said west wing shall be level with the court, AND L. 1000 at the term of Whitsunday 1755, AND L. 1000 when the whole buildings are level with the court, AND L. 1000 when the first joist is laid upon the top of the basement, AND L. 2700 when the roof is on the front-shops, AND L. 750 when the second joists all around the Square are laid, AND two thousand seven hundred and fifty pounds when the third joists all around are laid, AND the like sum of two thousand seven hundred and fifty pounds, when all the roofs are on the whole building ; AND THEREAFTER, the sum of one thousand and ten pounds, at the end of each half year, *all Sterling* money, towards finishing the inside parts of the whole building, until the foresaid credit of eighteen thousand pounds be fully out and exhausted ; OR at such other times and periods, or by such other meiths and proportions as the parties may

Which advances to be repaid with interest.

All matters not herein mentioned, and

all disputes,

shall be determined by arbitration.

may afterwards condescend and conclude upon. WHICH SEVERAL ADVANCES the saids Undertakers shall be bound to repeat and pay back to the saids Magistrates and Town-council, or their order, at the time, under the penalty, and with the interest mentioned on the saids Undertakers part, before expressed. And for preserving concord between the parties, they hereby Both agree, THAT, whatever doubts or differences may arise between them about all other matters, not hereby expressed or provided, sufficiently explanatory of the foresaid undertaking, OR which may arise concerning the same and the subject matter of this contract, OR what ought to be incumbent on or should be the construction of either parties respective obligations, about the implement and execution hereof to one another, according to the true intent, meaning and genuine interpretation of these presents; THAT all and every such question or difference, when moved, if not accommodated by and between the parties themselves, SHALL BE settled, composed, and forthwith left to the determination of two indifferent persons of skill, the one to be named by the Magistrates, or them and the rest of the Town-council,



council, and the other by the Undertakers, AS ARBITERS; or to such umpire or overman as shall be chosen by the said arbiters, in case of their disagreement. AND FOR THAT END the saids parties reciprocally to name arbiters and subscribe a formal submission, within ten days after they shall be required so to do. AND WHAT award or umpirage shall be made and given up in writing, if so required, shall be final, and be obeyed by the parties, without reclamation, PROVIDED the same be so made within twenty days at furthest, after the saids persons shall be so named and chosen as aforesaid: *AND HEREUNTO*, and for the full and due performance of these presents, and every clause and article herein contained, the saids Magistrates and Town-council subscribing, bind and oblige themselves, and all their successors in office, and the saids *Patrick Jamieson, Alexander Peter, George Stevenson, John Moubray, and John Fergus*, bind and oblige them jointly and severally, their heirs, executors, and successors, mutually to each other; AND THAT under the penalty of five hundred pounds Sterling, to be paid by the party failing or refusing to implement

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to the party observer, or willing so to do, over and above performance: AND BOTH PARTIES AGREE that one copy, as well of the book of plans, elevations, and sections of this work, as of the estimations of the quantities, nature and price, thereof hereunto referred, and of this date subscribed, shall be sufficient, and that such shall remain with the Commissioners Clerk as mutual evidents for behoof of both parties, to be shown, copied and used by either of them, when their occasions require. AND THE Magistrates and Town-council hereto subscribing, authorize and appoint *George Drummond Esq;* one of his Majesty's Commissioners of Excise, and late Lord Provost of *Edinburgh*, to subscribe, with the said five Undertakers, the saids plans, estimates, and other writings, for and in name of the whole Town-council, which shall be held also sufficient as if signed by them all. And, FOR GREATER SECURITY, both parties consent, that this present contract and such writings before referred unto, as may be necessary, BE all registred in the books of Council and Session, Borrow-court books of *Edinburgh*, or any other proper register, therein to remain for preservation; AND, if needful,

Registration.

needful, that an decret of the judges thereof be interponed hereto, that letters of homing, on a charge of six days, and all other execution necessary, be directed, and may pass thereon in usual form. AND thereto they constitute ~~ad hoc consuevit~~ <sup>their</sup> procurators :

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this, and the twelve preceeding pages, wrote on stamped paper, by *John Gray*, Clerk to *John Dickie* Writer to his Majesty's Signet, ARE, with an other duplicate hereof, AND the said plans, elevations, sections, and estimations, SUBSCRIBED by the said *George Drummond*, Esq; and by the saids *Patrick Jamieson*, *Alexander Peter*, *George Stevenson*, *John Moubray*, and *John Fergus*; AS ALSO this and the foresaid preceeding pages, and the said other duplicate hereof, are also subscribed by the saids Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Town-council, ALL at *Edinburgh* the 12th day of *June* 1754 years, before these Witnesses, the said *John Dickie*, and the said *John Gray*: And it is hereby declared, before subscribing, that, previous to any advance of money to be made by the Magistrates, for carrying on the work, at the several

Subscription.

Date.

A clause added.



several stages thereof, as above mentioned, there shall always be first produced, by the Undertakers, a certificate, from the Inspector appointed by the Commissioners, of the work's being done and brought the length required for the advance sought.

*Signed*

WILLIAM ALEXANDER, *Provost.*

*&c. &c. &c.*

# APPENDIX,

CONTAINING

ESTIMATES of the particular Pieces of WORK,

IN THE

# EXCHANGE.

# APPENDIX, containing the Estimates of the Work.

## DIGGING.

**T**O digging out the earth for the great drain, and the foundations of the walls of all the buildings, also digging out what earth may be necessary below the court, and body of the building, for obtaining the vaults, and carting it to the Castlehill, or to the south-end of the intended bridge at the North-Loch. . . .

## FOUNDATIONS.

To rubble-work in the foundations, the back wall of the custom-house 5 feet thick, and all the other outside-walls, and inside ones, that carry vents,  $4\frac{1}{2}$  feet thick, 13 roods 12 yards, at 9 l. . . .

## GREAT DRAIN.

To rubble-work in the drains, the large middle drain 3 feet wide,  $4\frac{1}{2}$  feet high to the rise of the arch, which is one foot, being 6 roods 12 yards, at 6 l. . . .

To arching in ditto, 2 roods 18 yards, at 8 l. . . .

To flag-stones, for the bottom, going 4 inch into the wall, on each side 1612 feet, at 3 d. . . .

To rubble-work in the small drains, being  $2\frac{1}{2}$  feet wide, 3 feet high, to the rise of the arch, which is 9 inches 7 roods 26 yards, at 5 l. . . .

To rubble-arches in ditto, 3 roods 31 yards, at 7 l. . . .

To flag-stones for the bottom, 1251 feet, at 3 d. . . .

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To 40 pair of shutter-hinges, at 10 d.	-	-	-	-	-	-
To 20 window-keepers, at 6 d.	-	-	-	-	-	-
To 12 pair door-hinges, at 1 s. 8 d.	-	-	-	-	-	-
To 132 iron-batts, at 6 d.	-	-	-	-	-	-
To 2 outer door-locks at 15 s.	-	-	-	-	-	-
To 8 ditto, and snecks for other doors at 6 s.	-	-	-	-	-	-
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	78	18	0			

## SECOND STOREY.

To rubble-work, 23 roods 23 yards, at 9 l.	-	-	-	-	-	-
To ditto, in 1 foot-walls, 2 roods 20 yards, at 3 l. 10 s.	-	-	-	-	-	-
To rubble-arches, 4 roods 5 yards, at 9 l.	-	-	-	-	-	-
To cassaway in the two narrow vaults, 2 roods 2 yards, at 1 l. 5 s.	-	-	-	-	-	-
To arching in plates of stair, 2 yards, at 5 s.	-	-	-	-	-	-
To centers for the vaults, 149 yards, at 1 s.	-	-	-	-	-	-
To hewn-work in plain chimney jaumbs, outside and inside-hearths, 379 feet, at 10 d.	-	-	-	-	-	-
To ribbets, corners, and steps of stair, 1869 feet, at 9 d.	-	-	-	-	-	-
To pavement, 353 feet, at 7 d.	-	-	-	-	-	-
To brick-arches for hearths, 112 feet, at 6 d.	-	-	-	-	-	-
To building in plates and steps of stair, 21 yards, at 1 s.	-	-	-	-	-	-
To height of vents, 1274 feet, at 1 s. 4 d.	-	-	-	-	-	-
To joisting cubical-measure, 789 feet, at 2 s.	-	-	-	-	-	-

To 2½ inch-thick wainscot-fash, and best Newcastle crown-glass, 648 feet,  
 at 3 s. 6 d.  
 To flooring in ditto, 517 yards, at 3 s. 6 d.  
 To lath and plaister partitions, plumed and flotted, 836 yards, at 2 s.  
 To hard-finnishing on stone-walls, 70 yards, at 1 s. 6 d.  
 To ditto, on lath-walls, 26 yards, at 2 s. 6 d.  
 To lath and plaister on ceilings, 514½ yards, at 1 s. 6 d.  
 To common plaister on stone-walls, 855 yards, at 6 d.  
 To wainscoting in window-shutts and furbase 279 yards, at 3 s. 6 d.  
 To skirting-boards, corner-styles, and wall-plates, 93 yards, at 2 s. 6 d.  
 To plaister-cornice, 550 feet, at 1 s.  
 To 8 brass-locks, at 1 l.  
 To 5 iron-rimmed locks, at 6 s.  
 To 17 closet-door locks, at 4 s. 6 d.  
 To 2 kitchen snecks, at 2 s.  
 To 3 outer-door locks, hinges, and snecks, at 1 l.  
 To 32 pair door-hinges, at 2 s.  
 To 42 pair shutter-hinges, at 1 s.  
 To 17 pair brass-rings for shutts, at 6 d.  
 To 17 pair brass-nobs for windows, at 6 d.  
 To 24 iron-batts and lead, at 6 d.

113	8	0	1017	19	3
90	9	6			
83	12	0			
5	5	0			
3	5	0			
38	11	9			
21	7	6			
66	6	6			
11	12	6			
27	10	0			
8	0	0			
1	10	0			
3	16	6			
0	4	0			
3	0	0			
3	4	0			
2	2	0			
0	8	6			
0	8	6			
0	12	6			
-	-	-	1017	19	3
-	-	-	-	2618	111½

Carried forward



### T H I R D   S T O R E Y .

Brought forward		2618	111½
To rubble-work, 23 roods, 15 yards, at 9 l.	-	210	15
To ditto in 1 foot-walls, 2 roods 7 yards, at 3 l. 10 s.	-	7	13
To rubble-arches, 4 roods 7 yards, at 9 l.	-	37	15
To centers for ditto, 149 yards, at 1 s.	-	7	9
To building in steps and plates of stair, 21 yards, at 1 s.	-	1	1
To hewn-work in ribbets, corners, and steps of stair, 1727 feet, at 9 d.	-	64	15
To chimney jaumbs and hearth-stones, 394 feet, at 10 d.	-	16	8
To pavement, 518 feet, at 7 d.	-	15	2
To height of vents, 1118 feet, at 1 s. 4 d.	-	74	10
To caslaway in narrow vaults, 1 rood 20 yards, at 1 l. 5 s.	-	1	18
To joisting, 789 feet, at 2 s.	-	78	18
To 2½ inch-thick waincot-fashes, with best Newcastle crown-glass, 655 feet, at 3 s. 6 d.	-	114	12
To brick-arches for hearths, 124 feet, at 6 d.	-	3	2
To lath and plaister-partitions, 670 yards, at 2 s.	-	67	0
To stone-wall plaister, 890 yards, at 6 d.	-	22	5
To hard-finnishing on stone-walls, 91 yards, at 2 s. 6 d.	-	11	7
To ditto on lath-walls, 14 yards, at 2 s. 6 d.	-	1	15
To lath and plaister on ceilings, 524 yards, at 1 s. 6 d.	-	39	6
To flooring, 516 yards, at 3 s. 6 d.	-	90	6
To waincoting in doors, and shutts, and furbace, 362 yards, at 3 s. 6 d.	-	63	7
To skiftings and wall-plates, 65 yards, 2 s. 6 d.	-	18	2
			6

To plaister-cornice, 600 feet, 1 s.	30	0	0
To 48 iron-batts, at 6 d.	1	4	0
To 6 outer-door locks, hinges, and snecks, including the vault doors, at 1 l.	6	0	0
To 2 kitchen-door snecks, at 2 s.	0	4	0
To 6 brafs-locks, at 1 l.	6	0	0
To 6 iron-locks, at 6 s.	1	16	0
To 8 closet-door locks, at 4 s. 6 d.	1	16	0
To 23 pair door-hinges, at 2 s.	2	6	0
To 32 pair shutter-hinges, at 1 s.	1	12	0
To 12 pair brafs-rings and nobbs, at 1 s.	0	12	0
	989	0	3

### LAIGH SHOPS under WEST WING.

To rubble-work, 6 roods 18 yards, at 9 l.	58	10	0
To ditto in 1 foot-walls, 34 yards, at 3 l. 10 s.	3	6	0
To building in steps of stairs, 15 yards, at 1 s.	0	15	0
To hewn-work in stairs, chimney-jaumbs, and hearths, 301 feet, at 10 d.	12	10	10
To window-ribbets, 112 feet, at 9 d.	4	4	0
To pavement, 1061 feet, at 7 d.	30	18	6
To height of vents, 516 feet, at 1 s. 4 d.	34	8	0
To 2 inch-thick wainscot-fash and glafs, 60 feet, at 2 s. 8 d.	8	0	0
	152	12	4
	3607	2	2 1/2

Carried forward

Brought forward	152	12	4	3607	2	2½
To 33 yards bound-work in doors and shutts, at 4 s. 6 d.	-	8	6			
To 38 yards thick-dale lyming in bunkars, at 3 s. 6 d.	7	13	0			
To 13 yards washing-boards, at 2 s. 6 d.	6	12	6			
To 203 yards lath and plaister-partitions and ceilings at 1 s. 6 d.	1	4	6			
To 221 yards stone-wall plaister, at 6 d.	15	10	6			
To 16 yards handrail and ballusters, at 6 s.	5	16	0			
To 56 feet of fash and glafs in partitions, at 1 s. 6 d.	4	4	0			
To 3 outer-door locks and hinges, at 1 l.	4	0	0			
To 3 inner-door locks and hinges, at 8 s.	3	4	0			
To 8 pair shutter-hinges, at 1 s.	1	8	0			
	-	-	-	202	13	4

#### LAIGH SHOPS under EAST-WING.

To 7 roods 7 yards rubble-work, at 9 l.	64	15	0			
To 1 rood 16 yards in 1 foot-walls, at 3 l. 10 s.	5	1	1½			
To 20 yards building in steps of stair, at 1 s.	1	0	0			
To 400 feet hewn-work in stairs, chimney-jaumbs, and hearths, at 10 d.	16	13	4			
To 138 feet window-ribbets, at 9 d.	5	3	6			
To 1348 feet pavement, at 7 d.	39	6	4			
To 638 feet height of vents, at 1 s. 4 d.	42	10	8			
To 78 feet of 2 inch-thick wainscot fash and glafs, at 2 s. 8 d.	10	8	0			
To 68 yards lath and plaister-partitions, at 1 s. 6 d.	5	2	0			
To 151 yards ditto on ceilings, at 1 s. 6 d.	11	6	6			
To 283 yards stone-wall plaister, at 6 d.	7	1	6			

To 42 yards bound-work in doors and shutts, at 4 s. 6 d.



To 283 yards stone-wall plafter, at 6 d.

To 42 yards bound-work in doors and shutts, at 4 s. 6 d.  
To 50 yards thick-dale lyming in bunckars, at 3 s. 6 d.  
To 16 yards skiftings, at 2 s. 6 d.  
To 21 yards ballusters and handrail, at 6 s.  
To 84 feet fash and glafs in partitions, at 1 s. 6 d.  
To 4 outer-door locks and hinges, at 1 l.  
To 4 closet-door locks and hinges, at 8 s.  
To 5 window-keepers, at 6 d.  
To 10 pair shutter-hinges, at 1 s.

### CELLAR under the WEST WING.

To 2 roods 18 yards rubble-work, at 9 l.  
To 34 yards rubble-arches, at 5 s.  
To 34 yards centers for ditto, at 1 s.  
To  $\frac{1}{2}$  roods caslaway, at 1 l. 5 s.  
To 54 feet hewn-work in door-ribbets, at 9 d.  
To 10 yards bound-work in doors, at 3 s. 6 d.  
To 2 locks and hinges for ditto, at 12 s.  
To 16 iron-bates, at 6 d.

Carried forward

39 0 3  
4096 4 3

5½

8

247

39 0 3  
4096 4 3

Brought forward

## Two CELLARS under EAST WING.

- To 3 roods 15 yards rubble-work, at 9 l.
- To 2 roods rubble-arches, at 9 l.
- To 72 yards centers, at 1 s.
- To 1 rood 22 yards caffaway, at 1 l. 5 s.
- To 81 feet hewn-work, at 9 d.
- To 15 yards bound-work in doors, at 3 s. 6 d.
- To 3 locks and hinges, at 12 s.
- To 18 batts, at 6 d.

## Four VAULTS under the COURT.

- To 11 roods 24 yards rubble-work, at 9 l.
- To 11 roods 4 yards rubble-arches, at 9 l.
- To 400 yards centers for ditto, at 1 s.
- To 8 roods 18 yards caffaway, at 1 l. 5 s.
- To 108 feet hewn-work in doors, at 9 d.
- To 20 yards bound-work in doors, at 3 s. 6 d.
- To 4 locks and hinges, at 12 s.
- To 32 batts, at 6 d.

## VAULTS under the COURT for TAP-ROOMS.

- To 13 roods 4 yards rubble-work, at 9 l.
- To 3 roods 10 yards ditto in partitions, at 3 l. 10 s.

30	15	0	4096	4	3
18	0	0			
3	12	0			
2	0	0			
3	0	9			
2	12	6			
1	16	0			
0	9	0	62	5	3
105	0	0			
100	0	0			
20	0	0			
10	12	6			
4	1	0			
3	10	0			
2	8	0			
0	16	0	246	7	6
118	0	0			
11	9	5			

To 18 roods 24 yards rubble-arches, at	168	0	0
To 172 feet hewn-corners in stairs and jaumbs, at 10 d.	7	3	4
To 560 feet door and window-ribbets and steps of stair, at 9 d.	21	0	0
To 5432 feet pavement, at 7 d.	158	8	8
To 34 yards building in steps of stair, at 1 s.	1	14	0
To 516 feet height of vents, at 1 s. 4 d.	34	8	0
To 800 yards centers for arches, at 1 s.	40	0	0
To 110 feet 2 inch-wainscot, sash and glaifs, at 2 s. 8 d.	14	13	4
To 806 yards stone-wall plaister, at 6 d.	20	3	0
To 46 yards in 7 backed-doors, at 3 s. 6 d.	8	1	0
To 34½ yards in other doors, at 3 s. 6 d.	6	0	9
To 8 outer-door locks and hinges, at 14 s.	5	12	0
To 6 inner-door-locks, at 5 s.	1	10	0
To 112 iron-batts, at 6 d.	2	16	0
	618	19	6
<i>EXCHANGE.</i>			
To 6 roods rubble-work, at 6 l.	36	0	0
To 1083 feet hewn-rustics, at 1 s.	54	3	0
To 2960 feet plain hewn-work in bealt, beafe, impost, &c. at 10 d.	123	6	8
To 35 turned-ballusters of stone, at 7 s. 6 d.	13	2	6
To 14 of half ditto, at 3 s. 9 d.	2	12	6
	229	4	8
Carried forward	5023	16	6



Brought forward  
To 7766 feet pavement in piazzas and outer-court, including till, &c.

for defending of rain, at 9 d.

To 279 feet joisting in the plate-form, at 2 s.

To 160 yards flooring in ditto, at 3 s.

To 207 yards plumber-work, at 16 s.

To 76 feet of 2½ inch-thick wainscot-fashes, with best Newcastle crown-glass, at 3 s. 6 d.

To 108 yards lath and plaister on ceilings, at 1 s. 6 d.

To 348 feet plaister-cornish, at 1 s.

To 5 iron-grates for letting down light to the places below, 2 feet by 4 feet, 40 feet, at 5 s.

4 ditto, 2 feet by 8 feet, 64 feet, at 5 s.

4 ditto, 3 feet by 4 feet, 48 feet, at 5 s.

4 ditto, 3 feet by 3 feet, 36 feet, at 5 s.

### Three COFFEE-HOUSES.

To 25 roods 32 yards rubble-work, at 9 l.

To 1 rood 4 yards ditto in 1 foot walks, at 3 l. 10 s.

To 1784 feet hewn-work in ribbets, chimney-jaumbs, and hearths, at 9 d.

To 487 feet hearth-stones, including laying, at 1 s.

To 33 yards brick-arches under hearths, at 4 s. 6 d.

To 2182 feet height of vents, at 1 s. 4 d.

229	4	8502316	6
291	4	6	
2718		0	
24	0	0	
165	12	0	
13	6	0	
8	2	0	
17	8	0	
10	0	0	
16	0	0	
12	0	0	
9	0	0	
233	0	82315	2
3	17	10	
66	18		
24	7		
7	8		
145	9		
	4		

Carried forward

Brought forward

# SHOPS and INTERSOLES in EAST WING.

To 13 roods 14 yards rubble-work, at 9 l.	120	10	0	1062	13	10
To 3 roods ditto in 1 foot walls, at 3 l. 10 s.	10	10	0			
To 1275 feet hewn-rustics, at 1 s.	63	15	0			
To 1050 feet plain hewn-work, at 10 d.	43	15	0			
To 103 feet mouldings, at 1 s. 6 d.	7	14	6			
To 108 feet pavement, at 7 d.	3	3	0			
To 136 feet of hearths, at 1 s.	6	16	0			
To 146 feet chimney-jambes, at 10 d.	6	1	8			
To 666 feet height of vents, at 1 s. 4 d.	44	8	0			
To 10 yards brick-arches, at 4 s. 6 d.	2	5	0			
To 3 Ionic capitals, at 1 l. 1 s.	3	3	0			
To 24 yards brick-work in window-breasts, at 3 s. 4 d.	4	0	0			
To 46 feet timber-lintles and styles at 2 s.	4	12	0			
To 314 feet 2 inch-wainscot fash and glass, at 2 s. 8 d.	41	17	4			
To 382 feet joisting, at 2 s.	38	4	0			
To 275 yards flooring, at 3 s. 6 d.	48	2	6			
To 40 yards steps of timber-stair, at 7 s.	14	0	0			
To 20 yards handrail and ballusters, at 15 s.	15	0	0			
To 58 yards bound-work in doors and shutts, at 4 s. 6 d.	13	1	0			
To 440 yards lath and plaister on partitions and ceilings, at 1 s. 6 d.	33	0	0			
To 725 yards stone-wall plaister, at 6 d.	18	2	6			
To 25 yards skiftings, at 2 s. 6 d.	3	2	6			

To 5 outer-door locks and hinges, at 1 l.





Brought forward	386	9	1761618	10
To 32 yards steps of stairs, at 7 s.	11	4	0	0
To 16 yards handrail and ballusters, at 15 s.	12	0	0	0
To 50 yards bound-work in doors and shutts, at 4 s. 6 d.	11	5	0	0
To 320 yards lath and plaister-partitions and ceilings at 1 s. 6 d.	24	0	0	0
To 601 yards stone-wall plaister, at 6 d.	15	0	6	6
To 21 yards skiftings, at 2 s. 6 d.	2	12	0	0
To 4 outer-door locks and hinges, at 1 l.	4	0	0	0
To 4 pair room-door locks and hinges, at 8 s.	1	12	0	0
To 17 pair shutter-hinges, at 2 s.	1	14	0	0
			469	17
			1	
	268	10	0	0
To 29 roods 30 yards rubble-work, at 9 l.	36	9	3	0
To 10 roods 15 yards ditto in 1 foot walls at 3 l. 10 s.	3	8	0	0
To 68 yards building in steps of stair, at 1 s.				
To 1452 feet hewn-work in stair-steps, chimney-jambes, coping and cornice, at 1 s. 6 d.	72	12	0	0
To 1028 feet mouldings about windows and architraves, £c. at 1 s. 6 d.	77	2	0	0
To 1339 feet plain hewn-work in corners and ribbets, at 9 d.	50	4	3	0
To 188 feet ditto in belts, £c. at 1 s.	9	8	0	6
To 369 feet large moulding in cornice, at 2 s. 6 d.	46	2	0	0
To 629 feet chimney-jambes and hearths, at 1 s.	31	9	0	0
To 932 feet height of vents, at 1 s. 4 d.	62	2	8	0
To 1164 feet joisting, at 2 s.	116	8	0	0

## Two DWELLING-HOUSES in WEST WING.

To 29 roods 30 yards rubble-work, at 9 l.	-	-	-
To 10 roods 15 yards ditto in 1 foot walls at 3 l. 10 s.	-	-	-
To 68 yards building in steps of stair, at 1 s.	-	-	-
To 1452 feet hewn-work in stair-steps, chimney-jambes, coping and cornice, at 1 s. 6 d.	-	-	-
To 1028 feet mouldings about windows and architraves, £c. at 1 s. 6 d.	-	-	-
To 1339 feet plain hewn-work in corners and ribbets, at 9 d.	-	-	-
To 188 feet ditto in belts, £c. at 1 s.	-	-	-
To 369 feet large moulding in cornice, at 2 s. 6 d.	-	-	-
To 629 feet chimney-jambes and hearths, at 1 s.	-	-	-
To 932 feet height of vents, at 1 s. 4 d.	-	-	-
To 1164 feet joisting, at 2 s.	-	-	-
To 21 yards brick-arches, at 4 s. 6 d.	-	-	-
To 226 yards roof-work, at 1 s. 6 d.	-	-	-

To 1164 feet joining, at 4 s.

- To 21 yards brick-arches, at 4 s. 6 d.  
 To 336 yards roofing and farking, at 6 s.  
 To 10 roods 12 yards slater-work, at 5 l.  
 To 2721 feet broached-work in front, at 4 d.  
 To 648 feet of 2½ inch fash and glass, at 3 s. 6 d.  
 To 141 feet of 2 inch ditto, at 2 s. 8 d.  
 To 47 yards plumber-work, at 16 s.  
 To 156 yards flooring, at 4 s. 600 ditto at 3 s. 6 d.  
 To 805 yards lath and plaister-partitions, at 2 s.  
 To 909 feet lath and plaister on ceilings, at 1 s. 6 d.  
 To 63 yards hard-finnishing, at 2 s. 6 d.  
 To 758 yards stone-wall plaister, at 10 d.  
 To 944 feet plaister-cornices and architraves, at 1 s.  
 To 189 yards lyming in doors and shutts, at 4 s. 6 d.  
 To 568 yards ditto, at 3 s. 6 d.  
 To 51 yards skiftings, at 2 s. 6 d.  
 To 58 yards steps of stair, at 10 d.  
 To 36 yards handrail and ballusters, at 15 s.  
 To 3 pair door-locks and hinges, at 1 l.  
 To 14 button-locks, and 3 brass-handled snecks at 3 s.  
 To 32 batts, at 6 d.

4	14	0
100	16	0
51	13	4
45	7	0
113	8	0
18	16	0
37	12	0
136	4	0
80	10	0
68	3	6
71	7	6
31	11	8
47	4	0
42	10	6
99	8	0
6	7	6
29	0	0
27	0	0
3	0	0
12	11	0
0	16	0
1728	3	8

Carried forward

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Brought forward	1728	3	8	8086	15	11
To 45 pair room and closet-door hinges, at 2 s.	4	10	0			
To 13 brass door-locks, at 1 l. 1 s.	13	13	0			
To 2 kitchen-door snecks, at 2 s.	0	4	0			
To 96 pair shutter-hinges, 39 pair rings and knobs, at 1 s.	6	15	0			
To 12 iron-rimmed locks, at 6 s.	3	12	0			
				1757	0	2
<b>Two DWELING-HOUSES on EAST WING.</b>						
To 29 roods rubble-work, at 9 l.	261	0	0			
To 10 roods 4 yards ditto in 1 foot walls, at 3 l. 10 s.	35	7	9			
To 68 yards building in steps and plates of stairs, at 1 s.	3	8	0			
To 1907 feet hewn-steps, moulded-ribbets, &c. at 1 s.	95	7	0			
To 1747 feet hewn-work copin-belts, ribbets, &c. at 9 d.	65	10	3			
To 376 feet rustic-architraves, at 1 s. 6 d.	28	4	0			
To 369 feet large Modelion-cornice, at 2 s. 6 d.	46	2	6			
To 117 feet hewn-cornice over windows, at 1 s. 6 d.	8	15	6			
To 84 feet ditto in soles and freeze of windows, at 9 d.	3	3	0			
To 22 yards brick-arches, at 4 s. 6 d.	4	19	0			
To 899 feet height of vents, at 1 s. 4 d.	59	18	8			
To 1448 feet joisting, at 2 s.	144	16	0			
To 648 feet 2½ inch wainscot fash and glafs, at 3 s. 6 d.	113	8	0			
To 366 feet 2 inch ditto, at 2 s. 8 d.	48	16	0			
To 394 yards roofing and farking, at 6 s.	118	4	0			
To 11 roods 18 yards slater-work, at 5 s.	57	10	0			

To 47 yards plumber-work in panes, at 16 s.

To 2721 feet broached-work in the front, at 4 d.

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Carried forward





To 200 yards lynning in doors and shutts, at 3 s. 6 d.	35	0	0			
To 47 yards skiftings and wall-plates, at 2 s. 6 d.	5	17	6			
To 60 yards lynning in doors, &c. at 4 s.	12	0	0			
To 328 yards lath and plaister-partitions, at 2 s.	32	16	0			
To 455 yards ditto on ceilings, at 1 s. 6 d.	34	2	6			
To 128 yards hard-finnishing, at 2 s. 6 d.	16	0	0			
To 479 yards stone-wall plaister, at 10 d.	19	11	8			
To 149 yards architraves and mouldings, at 1 s.	7	9	0			
To 400 feet plaister-cornice, at 1 s.	20	0	0			
To 1 outer-door lock and hinges, at 1 l. 1 kitchen-sneck, at 2 s. 6 d.	1	2	6			
To 4 brafs-locks, at 1 l. 1 s.	4	4	0			
To 8 iron-rimmed locks at 6 s.	2	8	0			
To 9 closet-door locks, at 4 s. 6 d.	2	0	6			
To 21 pair door-hinges, at 2 s.	2	2	0			
To 36 shutter ditto, at 1 s.	1	16	0			
To 18 pair brafs-rings and nobbs, at 1 s.	0	18	0			
				805	1	2

### CUSTOM-HOUSE.

To 5 roods 13 yards rubble-work, at 9 l.	453	5	0			
To 1 rood 4 yards ditto in 1 foot walls, at 3 l. 10 s.	3	17	9			
	457	2	9			
				12596	8	11

Carried forward

Brought forward		12596	811
To 4150 feet hewn-work in coping, cornice, skrews, tabling, ribbets, &c. at 9 d.	-	457	2
To 1390 feet moulding, architraves, cornice, keys, and rustics, at 1 s. 6 d.	-	155	12
To 1100 feet hewn chimney-jambes, and hearths, at 1 s.	-	104	5
To 414 feet Modilion-cornice, at 2 s. 6 d.	-	55	0
To 1457 steps and plates of great stair, at 3 s.	-	51	15
To 224 feet height of vents, at 1 s. 4 d.	-	218	11
To 223 feet pavement, at 7 d.	-	81	12
To 2428 feet joisting, at 2 s.	-	6	10
To 647 yards roofing and sarking, at 6 s.	-	242	16
To 13 roods 30 yards slater-work, at 5 l.	-	194	2
To 254 feet plumber-work in plate form in panes, at 16 s.	-	69	3
To 108 feet fashes in roof, at 2 s. 8 d.	-	203	4
To 702 feet of 2½ inch wainscot fash and glass, at 3 s. 6 d.	-	14	8
To 9 sky-lights and lead-work, at 2 l.	-	297	17
To carving the City's Arms on the piedement,	-	18	0
To 3 fine cut vases, at 7 l.	-	40	0
To 1997 feet broached-work in front, at 4 d.	-	21	0
To 68 yards brick-arches, in entry to great stair, at 5 s.	-	33	5
To 25 yards ditto in hearths, at 4 s. 6 d.	-	17	0
To 344 yards flooring, at 5 s.	-	5	12
To 1033 yards ditto, at 3 s. 6 d.	-	86	0
	-	180	16
	-		0

To 1279 yards lath and plaster-partitions, at 2 s.	127	18	00
To 1604 yards ditto on ceilings, at 1 s. 6 d.	120	6	00
To 310 yards ditto in garrets, at 1 s. 6 d.	23	5	00
To 1507 yards stone-wall plaster, at 10 d.	65	5	10
To 1447 feet plaster-cornice, at 1 s.	72	7	00
To 180 feet enriched cornice in great stair, at 6 d.	14	10	00
To 199 feet skiftings and wall-plates, at 2 s. 6 d.	24	17	68
To 332 feet architraves and surbase-mouldings, at 1 s.	16	12	00
To 160 yards bound-work in doors and shutts, and other wainscotting, in rooms, at 4 s. 905 ditto, at 3 s. 6 d.	190	7	6
To 3 chimney-pieces, with tabernacle-frames and marble-jaumbs, at 16 l.	48	0	08
To 8 door-pieces with pediment and carved-mouldings, at 4 l.	32	0	00
To 183 yards wainscot-surbase, high 1 in 12 rooms, Attic-storey, at 3 s. 6 d.	32	0	6
To 170 yards of rain-water pipes, at 17 s.	144	10	00
To 43 yards handrail and ballusters in great stair, at 15 s. 6 d.	33	6	6
To 15 yards steps of timber-stair, at 10 s.	7	10	00
To 3 yards fir-handrail, at 13 s. 6 d.	2	0	60
To 1 outer-door lock and hinges,	2	2	00
To 39 pair of door-hinges, at 2 s.	3	18	00
	3504	9	4
Carried forward	12596	8	11



Brought forward		3504	9	4	12596	8	11
To 78 pair of shutter ditto, at 1 s.	-	3	18	0			
To 12 iron-batts, at 6 d.	-	0	6	0			
To 24 iron-rimmed locks, at 6 s.	-	7	4	0			
To 6 brass-locks, at 1 l. 1 s. 6 d.	-	15	15	0			
To 39 pair brass-rings, nobbs, and keepers for windows, at 2 s.	-	3	18	0			
To 13 closet and garret-locks, at 5 s.	-	3	5	0			
					3538	15	4
HIGH and LOWS HOPS on FRONT.							
To 11 roods 6 yards building, at 7 l. 10 s.	-	83	15	0			
To 3842 feet hewn-rustics, at 1 s.	-	192	2	0			
To 136 feet mouldings, at 1 s. 6 d.	-	10	4	0			
To 560 feet steps in stairs, at 10 d.	-	23	6	8			
To 2945 feet pavement, at 7 d.	-	85	17	11			
To 540 feet in jaumbs of chimneys, 420 feet of hearths, at 10 d.	-	40	0	0			
To 860 yards of brick-partitions, at 2 s. 6 d.	-	107	10	0			
To 462 yards flooring and joisting, at 5 s. 6 d.	-	127	1	0			
To 739 feet sash and glais, at 2 s. 8 d.	-	98	10	8			
To 380 yards roofing and farking in partitions, at 6 s.	-	114	0	0			
To 446 yards lead in plate-form, at 16 s.	-	356	16	0			
To 730 feet of vents, at 1 s. 4 d.	-	48	13	4			
To 1302 feet hewn-work in ballustrade, at 10 d.	-	54	5	0			
To 70 ballusters of stone, at 7 s. 6 d.	-	26	5	0			
To 86½ yards steps of timber-stair, at 7 s.	-	30	5	6			

To 462 yards ceiling-plaster, at 1 s. 6 d.	-	-	-	34	13	0
To 88 yards in double outer-doors, at 4 s. 6 d.	-	-	-	19	16	0
To 104 yards handrail and bannisters in stair, at 15 s.	-	-	-	78	0	0
To 68 yards in double out-side-shutters, at 4 s.	-	-	-	13	12	0
To 32 yards framed-doors, at 3 s. 6 d.	-	-	-	56	12	0
To 1706 yards fawen-dale lyming in whole high and low shops, at 2 s. 6 d.	-	-	-	213	5	0
To 127 yards thick-dale bunkar in laigh shopes, at 3 s. 6 d.	-	-	-	22	4	6
To 231 yards ceiling-plaster, at 1 s. 6 d.	-	-	-	17	16	0
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To two additional cellars east wing,	-	-	-	62	5	3
To two laigh shops under east wing,	-	-	-	123	14	2 $\frac{3}{4}$
To two shops and interfoles in east wing,	-	-	-	221	16	0
To one dwelling-houfe in east wing,	-	-	-	94	1	5
To an iron-rail along the wall at Writer's Court,	-	-	-	50	0	0
To 7 roods of rubble-work under the printing-houfe, by its being set 42 feet further north, at 9 l.	-	-	-	63	0	0
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Carried forward

The cellars that's obtained under said printing-house, so answer for the additional work of the drains and stairs going down.

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Brought forward		1462	0	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	17938	14110
To 2622 feet of pavement in kitchens of the several dwelling-houses, at 6 d.						
In regard it was already computed broached,		66	16	0		
To 1650 feet pavement without the court in front for 10 feet out, including the gutter, at 7 d.		41	18	6		
To 675 feet hewn-stone in 30 paules at 7 feet 6 inches long, 9 inches on side, at 9 d.		48	2	6		
To 581 feet in the breasts of the window-ribbets, as they are required to be 8 inches in the head, and calculated at 7 inches only, at 9 d.		25	6	3		
To 2976 feet hewn-work in 6 chimney-stalks on the back parts of the building, not being measured, at 9 d.		21	15	0		
To pigs for the chimneys throughout the building, viz.		11	12	9		
2d storey above the printing-house, - 4 chimneys,						
3d storey above ditto, - 6 ditto,						
Coffee-houses, - 3 ditto,						
5 dwelling-houses, 5 each, - 25 ditto,						
Custom-house, - 12 ditto,						
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To Priming and painting in white-lead and oyl 50 chimneys, at 1 l. 4 s.		60	0	0		
To scaffolding, crans, rops, &c. and other incidents, at 2 s.		27	18	0		
		195	0	0		
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In all,		<hr/>			19999	4 7 $\frac{1}{2}$



By 323 feet rustics, at 1 s.	-	-	-	L. 16	3	0
34½ yards flooring, at 3 s.	-	-	-	5	3	6
34½ yards ceiling, at 1 s. 6 d.	-	-	-	2	11	9
63 feet of joisting, at 2 s.	-	-	-	6	6	0
41 yards plumber-work, at 16 s.	-	-	-	32	16	0
15 feet plaster-cornice, at 1 s.	-	-	-	0	15	0
5432 feet pavement in tap-rooms, at 7 s.	-	-	-	158	8	8
516 feet of vents, at 1 s. 4 d.	-	-	-	34	8	0
110 feet wainscot sash and glafs, at 2 s. 8 d.	-	-	-	14	13	4
806 yards stone-wall plaister, at 6 d.	-	-	-	20	3	0
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Total charge after making the deductions, L.				19707	16	4½

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